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In re application of: : PATENT
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action dated November 3, 2000, setting a shortened statutory period for response of three months in the above-cited case, extended by separate letter herein three months, please enter the following amendment.

In the Claims

Clean Copy of Replacement Claims – In compliance with new 37 CFR §1.121(c), please find beginning on the next page clean, amended claims. Please substitute and enter these claims for the pending claims with the same number.

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